**Establishment of Cold Storage Facilities in Villages**

*133. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish cold storage facilities within 15 Km. radius of villages throughout the country to help the farmers to preserve their horticultural produce for a long time;

(b) if so, whether the views of State Governments and farmers would also be taken into consideration for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**आवास समितियों के लिए विकसित भूमि के आवंटन में वृद्धि**

*134. **श्रीमती कैलाशपति :**
**श्री जलराम सिंह यादव :**

क्या **शहरी विकास** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली प्रशासन ने दिल्ली में उपलब्ध विकसित भूमि का केवल 40 प्रतिशत भाग ही आवास समितियों को आवंटित करने का निर्णय लिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार आवास समस्या को हल करने के लिये उपलब्ध विकसित भूमि में से निवास समितियों के लिये भूमि आरक्षण का वर्तमान प्रतिशत बढ़ाने का विचार रखती है; यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

**शहरी विकास मंत्री (श्री मुरासोली मारन) :** (क) जी, हां।

(ख) सहकारी सामूहिक आवास समितियों को और दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण के स्वयं के कार्यक्रमों के लिये रिहायशी भूमि के आवंटन में क्रमशः 40% और 60% के अनुपात में उनकी विभिन्न सार्वजनिक आवास योजनाओं के अन्तर्गत पंजीकृत व्यक्तियों के भारी पिछले बकाया और पुनः स्थापन कार्यक्रमों तथा वैकल्पिक भू-खंडों का प्रावधान करने के लिये और 1983 से पंजीकृत सहकारी सामूहिक आवास समितियों की आवश्यकताओं को ध्यान में रखा गया है।

(ग) उपर्युक्त को देखते हुये, इस समय ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

**Consruction Work in Bangladesh undertaken by IRCON**

*135. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the IRCON has undertaken some construction work in Bangladesh;

(b) if so, what is the nature of the work, the length of the track to be built and the amount involved;

(c) what period has been stipulated for completion of the work; and

(d) what progress has been made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian Railway Construction Company Ltd. (IRCON) is executing the Road Improvement works in Two Contract Packages namely:

Contract No. 1 & 3 between Daudkhandi to Chandina Bye Pass and Comilla Bye Pass to Feni Bye Pass

on Dhaka-Chittagong National High way in Bangladesh.

| | Contract No 1 | Contract No. 3 |
|---|---|---|
| (I) Length of Roads . . . . . | 28·60 Kms. | 34·62 Kms. |
| (II) Value of Work . . . . . | US $ 13·60 Million (Rs. 19·05 Crores) | US $ 13·72 Million (Rs. 19·22 Crores) |

(c) 30 months ending 24th June, 1991.

(d) 15 per cent progress has been made in each of two Contracts.

**Out dated Railway Tracks, Wagons and Coaches**

*136. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made recently about the outdated railway tracks and overaged wagons and coaches;

(b) whether it is a fact that old and unrepaired tracks and old wagons are the major factors for railway accidents;

(c) if so, what steps are being taken for replacement and repairs of outdated railway tracks and wagons?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

On 1-4-1990, the length of track overdue renewals was about 12,000 kms.

As regards coaches and wagons, the position of overaged stock as on 1-4-1989 is as under:

| | B.G. | M.G. |
|---|---|---|
| Coaching Stock . . . . . | 2498 nos. overaged, out of total of 22,835 nos. | 2677 nos. overaged out of total of 10,683 nos |
| Wagon Stock (4-wheeler units) . . . | 20,120 nos. overaged, out of total of 4,47,637 nos. | 7,985 nos. overaged, out of total of 84,701 nos. |

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

**Proposal for Running Express Trains between Virudhunagar and Madras**

*137. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to run a Metre Gauge Express train from Virudhunagar to Madras *via* Aruppukotai, Manamadurai and Karaikudi in Southern Railways; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) No, Sir.